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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D.
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SUBJECT: **PATIENT ACCOUNT COMPROMISE REPORT -
SECOND QUARTER FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003**

Attached is DHS' quarterly report of approved account compromises including the amount of liability reduced and the reason(s) for such reduction. The report covers the period of October 1, 2002 to December 31, 2002 with a total liability reduction of \$1.8 million (32.2%) and corresponding approved compromise offers of \$3.8 million (67.8%).

If you have questions or desire additional information, please let me know.

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Attachment

c: Chief Administrative Officer
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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
APPROVED PATIENT ACCOUNT COMPROMISES
FISCAL YEAR 2002 - 2003
SECOND QUARTER

FACILITY	NUMBER OF OF ACCOUNTS	APPROVED OFFER OF COMPROMISE	APPROVED TOTAL LIABILITY REDUCTION	REASON(S) FOR COMPROMISE
NORTHEAST AREA				
Hospital	175	\$ 1,712,114	\$ 982,157	Sixty-three (63) accounts as third party claims settled.
				Fifty-nine (59) accounts as the maximum allowable for the care provided to the patient(s), as determined by the patient's insurance (Commerical or HMO).
				Thirty-two (32) accounts as amounts exceeded patient's current financial resources to pay.
				Fifteen (15) accounts as to expedite the Insurance payment process.
				Six (6) accounts as patient hardship, other party not responsible for debt will pay.
CHC/HC	3	\$ 600	\$ 225	Three (3) accounts as amounts exceeded patient's current financial resources to pay.
TOTAL NORTHEAST AREA	178	\$ 1,712,714	\$ 982,382	
SOUTHWEST AREA				
Hospital	48	\$ 462,509	\$ 267,580	Twenty-three (23) accounts as the maximum allowable for the care provided to the patient, as determined by the patient's insurance (Commerical or HMO).
				Thirteen (13) accounts as amounts exceeded patient's current financial resources to pay.
				Six (6) accounts as to expedite the Insurance payment process.
				Six (6) accounts as third party claims settled.
CHC/HC	0	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL SOUTHWEST AREA	48	\$ 462,509	\$ 267,580	
SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AREA				
Hospital	18	\$ 69,482	\$ 23,639	Eighteen (18) accounts as the maximum allowable for the care provided to the patient(s), as determined by the patient's insurance (Commerical or HMO).
CHC/HC	0	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AREA	18	\$ 69,482	\$ 23,639	
COASTAL AREA				
Hospital	67	\$ 1,519,092	\$ 514,813	Fifty-seven (57) accounts as the maximum allowable for the care provided to the patient(s), as determined by the patient's insurance (Commercial or HMO).
				Seven (7) accounts as third party claims settled.
				Two (2) accounts as amounts exceeded patient's current financial resources to pay.
				One (1) account as no authorization obtained.
CHC/HC	1	\$ 725	\$ 375	One (1) account as the maximum allowable for the care provided to the patient(s), as determined by the patient's insurance (Commercial or HMO).
TOTAL COASTAL AREA	68	\$ 1,519,817	\$ 515,188	
ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA				
Hospital	0	\$ -	\$ -	
CHC/HC	0	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA	0	\$ -	\$ -	
RANCHO LOS AMIGOS	2	\$ 42,188	\$ 15,090	One (1) account as amount exceeded patient's current financial resources to pay.
				One (1) account as no authorization obtained.
TOTAL FY 2002-03 2ND QTR ALL FACILITIES	314	\$ 3,806,710	\$ 1,803,879	
COLLECTION RATIO FY 2002-03 2ND QTR ALL FACILITIES			67.8%	
COLLECTION RATIO TOTAL FY 2002-03 ALL FACILITIES			68.2%	
COLLECTION RATIO TOTAL FY 2001-02 ALL FACILITIES (A)			73.5%	

Note: (A) DHS Compromise procedures became effective 02/15/02.
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